

IC 12-27-3

Chapter 3. Conditional Rights of Patients in Residential Settings

IC 12-27-3-1

Reasonable means of communication defined

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "reasonable means of communication" includes the following rights:

- (1) To be visited at reasonable times.
- (2) To send and receive sealed mail.
- (3) To have access to a reasonable amount of letter writing materials and postage.
- (4) To place and receive telephone calls at the patient's own expense.

As added by P.L.2-1992, SEC.21.

IC 12-27-3-2

Rights additional to those recognized in IC 12-27-2

Sec. 2. The rights described in this chapter are in addition to the rights recognized in IC 12-27-2.

As added by P.L.2-1992, SEC.21.

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Conditional rights

Sec. 3. Subject to section 4 of this chapter, a patient receiving services or training in a residential setting is conditionally entitled to do all of the following:

- (1) Wear the individual's own clothes.
- (2) Keep and use personal possessions.
- (3) Keep and spend a reasonable amount of the individual's own money.
- (4) Have access to individual storage space for private use.
- (5) Maintain reasonable means of communication with persons outside the facility.

As added by P.L.2-1992, SEC.21.

IC 12-27-3-4

Denial or limitation of rights

Sec. 4. The conditional rights recognized in this chapter may be denied or limited as follows:

- (1) In the circumstances and according to the procedures established by rules of the appropriate division.
- (2) Because of inconsistency with the design of a treatment or habilitation program if the program design has been approved by the division.
- (3) On an individual basis, only for good cause as set forth in the individual treatment record and approved by the person primarily responsible for the patient's care and treatment.

As added by P.L.2-1992, SEC.21.

IC 12-27-3-5

Notice of denial or limitation of rights

Sec. 5. The service provider shall give notice of denial or limitation of rights under section 4 of this chapter to the following:

- (1) The patient.
- (2) The guardian or appointed advocate of the patient.

As added by P.L.2-1992, SEC.21.